



ENVIRONMENTAL
IMPACT STATEMENT

Public Involvement Outreach

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Public participation was an important part of the Mountain View Corridor (MVC) Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) process. The MVC EIS team made a commitment at the beginning of the project to encourage public participation, to offer a variety of methods for public comment and to provide an open and transparent process.

Public Meetings

The MVC team held a series of public meetings at key milestones during the EIS process—scoping, concept development, alternatives refinement, and tolled alternatives analysis. The stakeholder contact database grew with each set of public meetings, indicating that the meetings consistently attracted new people.

Printed Materials

Several newsletters and project updates were published during the project to inform stakeholders and request comments. These were distributed by mail, at drop-off points throughout the study area, and as portable document format (PDF) files on the project Web site. Comment forms and comment drop boxes were placed in local libraries, city halls, and cooperating grocery stores.

Electronic Communication Tools

Several electronic communication tools were used to provide project information and receive comments, including the project Web site (www.udot.utah.gov/mountainview) and periodic e-mail updates. The initial e-mail update list was comprised of approximately 120 stakeholders, but grew to more than 1,600 stakeholders. Tools for receiving comments included an online comment form, a project e-mail address, and a toll-free telephone comment line.

Speakers' Bureau

A speakers' bureau was formed to proactively provide information to organized groups and respond to requests for presentations. In addition to city council and planning commission presentations, the MVC EIS offered speakers' bureau presentations to community clubs and organizations.

Media

The MVC EIS team used local and statewide media to help inform the general public about the project and tell stakeholders where they could get more information. Media information kits were distributed to pitch news coverage of the MVC during scoping, concept development, and tolling outreach. More than 270 stories were published or broadcast in local or statewide media.

Results

Wide-reaching and targeted public involvement strategies produced positive results for the project team and enabled a transparent decision-making process. Comments helped the project team identify key issues and refine potential transportation solutions. Public input also identified important community values to consider in the EIS process.

Please see Chapter 30 of the Draft EIS for more detailed information.

FAQs

How many comments have the project team received?

The project team has received approximately 3,000 public comments prior to the release of the Draft EIS.

Does the project team accept comments in Spanish?

Yes, comment tools are available for Spanish-speaking individuals. The MVC team offers a Spanish-language project e-mail address (mvcespanol@utah.gov) as well as a Spanish-language option for callers on the toll-free telephone comment line.

How were public comments used?

Comments reflected a wide range of issues and concerns and helped define the project purpose and refine potential alternatives. For example, public comments in 2004 about SR 111 as a possible alternative prompted the project team to further analyze SR 111 after screening it out. A more detailed report about the SR 111 analysis was posted to the project Web site to help explain why the existing Salt Lake County alternatives functioned better than SR 111.

Public Hearings

Wednesday, November 14
Hunter High School
West Valley City: 4 - 8 p.m.

Thursday, November 15
Willow Creek Middle School
Lehi: 4 - 8 p.m.

Saturday, November 17
Copper Hills High School
West Jordan: 2 - 6 p.m.

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Comment Period

Oct. 17 - Jan. 24, 2008

Mail

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Mountain View Corridor Public Involvement Outreach Examples

2003		Growth Choices Workshops
2004		Talk Truck Meetings
2005		Alternatives Refinement Open Houses
2006		Town Hall Meetings
2007	DEIS Comment Period	
2008	Record of Decision	

QUICK LINKS:

- Aerial Maps
- Salt Lake County Preferred Alternative
- Utah County Preferred Alternative
- Download the Tolling Analysis Results
- What's Next
- Clic aquí para Español

RELATED LINKS:

- East-West Connector
- Redwood Road (SR-66) EA
- I-15 Utah County EIS
- TRAX Mid-Jordan Line
- Utah State Legislature

UPCOMING PROJECT MILESTONES

Draft EIS (Fall 2007) → Public Hearing (Fall 2007) → FHWA Record of Decision (2008) → Funding (To be determined by the Utah State Legislature)

New Alternative. New Impacts. New Input.

Come and give input on 2100 North as a potential Mountain View Corridor alternative and see how it may affect you.

The Utah Department of Transportation and the Federal Highway Administration are conducting an Environmental Impact Statement on the Mountain View Corridor, a proposed highway and transit corridor in western Salt Lake County and northwest Utah County. As part of the EIS process and in response to concerns that have been raised, UDOT is reviewing the alternatives in Utah County. 2100 North is now under consideration as an additional freeway alternative. The public is invited to attend an open house to review and to discuss all alternatives with project team members.

Open House
Thursday, March 15 from 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Sego Lily Elementary School
550 East 900 North, Lehi

Can't attend the meeting?
Get more information on the web at udot.utah.gov/mountainview.
Give your input online or call 1-800-596-2556



In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, individuals requiring special accommodations during the meeting, should notify Karen Ritchie (Ritchie@pbfworld.com; 801-288-3257) five working days prior to the meeting.

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UTAH POLITICS

4th seat: Last-ditch effort
No matter which party wins control of Congress in today's election, Gov. Jon Huntsman Jr. will call a special session this month in a last-ditch push to get a Fourth U.S. House seat for Utah approved before the end of the year.

Problems for voters in Utah
Problems for voters in Utah County: some delays in Salt Lake County; voters planning to cast their ballots on the way to work were stymied by technical problems with voter wards used in the state's new voting machines, while some in Salt Lake City also see delays at the polls. Full story.

Is a Toll Road In Your Future?

- Senate bandies change in leaders
- All about the new Utah voting machines (EIS)
- Red vs. Blue: Now white hot
- Matheson says Runstad ought to go
- Poll sites moved due to flooding at church

News analysis: Election donations benefit firms
It pays for corporations to contribute to congressional political campaigns. And what's more, it pays for investors to buy the stocks of companies that make a habit of doing so.

Democrats could win — and yet lose
In most midterm elections, an out-of-power party picking up, say, 14 seats in the House and five seats in the Senate could call it a pretty good night. But for Democrats in 2006, that showing would mean coming up one seat shy of taking control of both the Senate and the House.

News analysis: Bush, GOP could face rough road
Running out of time and influence, President Bush faces a rough road in the twilight of his presidency regardless of who controls Congress.

Marjorie Cortez: Personal contact gets my 'yes' vote (opinion)

Demo back on ballot
Monday:
Several local races could swing either way
Early voting a hit with Utahns (opinion)
Winter accuses GOP of 11th-hour smears
John Flores: Vote for candidate who reflects values (opinion)

Mountain View Corridor & Tolling:
A Panel Discussion & Open House
Thursday
November 9
Click here for more information

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